

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
AT CHATTANOOGA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)	
)	Case No. 1:21-cr-013-5
v.)	
)	Judge Travis R. McDonough
LOLITA EASON)	
)	Magistrate Judge Susan K. Lee
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ORDER

Magistrate Judge Susan K. Lee filed a report and recommendation (Doc. 337) recommending that the Court: (1) grant Defendant's motion to withdraw her not guilty plea as to Count One of the seven-count Superseding Indictment; (2) accept Defendant's guilty plea to the lesser included offense of the charge in Count One of the Superseding Indictment, that is, conspiracy to distribute 5 grams or more of methamphetamine (actual) and 50 grams or more of a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 846, 841(a)(1), and 841(b)(1)(B); (3) adjudicate Defendant guilty of the lesser included offense of the charge in Count One of the Superseding Indictment, that is, conspiracy to distribute 5 grams or more of methamphetamine (actual) and 50 grams or more of a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 846, 841(a)(1), and 841(b)(1)(B); (4) defer a decision on whether to accept the plea agreement (Doc. 248) until sentencing; and (5) order that Defendant remain in custody until sentencing in this matter. Neither party filed a timely objection to the report and recommendation. After reviewing the record, the Court agrees with Magistrate Judge Lee's report and recommendation.

Accordingly, the Court **ACCEPTS** and **ADOPTS** the magistrate judge's report and recommendation (Doc. 337) pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) and **ORDERS** as follows:

1. Defendant's motion to withdraw her not guilty plea to Count One of the seven-count Superseding Indictment is **GRANTED**;
2. Defendant's plea of guilty to the lesser included offense of the charge in Count One of the Superseding Indictment, that is, conspiracy to distribute 5 grams or more of methamphetamine (actual) and 50 grams or more of a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 846, 841(a)(1), and 841(b)(1)(B) is **ACCEPTED**;
3. Defendant is hereby **ADJUDGED** guilty of the lesser included offense of the charge in Count One of the Superseding Indictment, that is conspiracy to distribute 5 grams or more of methamphetamine (actual) and 50 grams or more of a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 846, 841(a)(1), and 841(b)(1)(B);
4. A decision on whether to accept the plea agreement is **DEFERRED** until sentencing; and
5. Defendant **SHALL REMAIN** in custody until sentencing in this matter which is scheduled to take place on **February 24, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. [EASTERN]** before the undersigned.

SO ORDERED.

/s/Travis R. McDonough

TRAVIS R. MCDONOUGH
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE